Waukesha

VETERAN'S SERVICES
A DIVISION OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Clarence Stoel, Chairperson

Mr. James Kebisek

Mr. Thomas A. Ludka, Secretary

VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION MINUTES EMERGENCY MEETING: July 29, 2011

TIME: 8:30 A.M.

Mr. Clarence Stoel, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 8:30 A.M. The minutes of the January 24, 2011 meeting were reviewed. There were no corrections to the minutes. Mr. James Kebisek made a motion to accept the minutes. Mr. Thomas Ludka seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

CASE # MRD, (45899)

This is an Army Reservist called to active duty in 2006/2007 to serve in Afghanistan. The veteran has a wife and child. Because of his service-connected conditions – he was enrolled in a VA 90-day treatment program in Tomah, WI from March of 2011 – June 2011. At this time, his wife was not employed – she had a new born baby.

He was rated 50% service connected in 2008. An application for temporary 100% rating was applied for in June of 2011. Because the veteran did not report that he was in receipt of military pay while receiving VA compensation, he has an overpayment. Therefore, his compensation was cut for August and September. His compensation will resume in October 2011. At this time, the veteran and the spouse are both working part-time which helps with paying the other expenses.

Vietnam Veterans of American covered the rent for June. American Legion covered the rent and utilities for July. Mr. Ludka is recommending the Commission approve the rent for August and September to be made payable to:

Pebble Valley Housing Partners Limited Partnership/Monterey Apartments \$1638.000 (Account #150-364120-6553-J085-3803)

Mr. Kebisek made a motion to approve the recommendation. Mr. Ludka seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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OTHER BUSINESS:

Mr. Stoel discussed the Wisconsin State Association of County Service Commissioners (WSACVSC) Executive Meeting. He is not planning on going to the meeting in September. Mr. Ludka is planning on attending – he has a 10:00 A.M. presentation. Mr. Kebisek cannot make the meeting because of other obligations.

Mr. Ludka gave the commissioners a copy of the Veterans Budget for 2010. He advised that a request has been submitted to make the Veterans' Service Aide position a full time position instead of part-time. This needs to be approved by the County Board. Mr. Ludka also reviewed what the office does for veterans with the commissioners.

Also discussed was:

- The importance of veterans joining veterans groups
- Replacement of current Commissioners with younger veterans
- Color Guard for Cutler Park Civil War Rededication
- Retired Military Pay Changes

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Ludka made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:35 A.M. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kebisek. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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Thomas A. Ludka

Secretary

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